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Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Red Hawks defensive safety #86 Blake Aylsworth rushes against KCVI during a 21-14 loss on Oct. 4. For more sports, see page 15.

## Man pulls crash victim from lake

By Matthew Desrosiers

Gary Collins was at work on Nila Road at around 2 p.m. with William Reynolds when a woman ran up to them, frantically calling for help.

Reynolds went inside and called 9-1-1, while Collins rushed down the road.

What he found was an overturned vehicle in the lake, a boat and trailer on top, and a man honking the horn in desperate need of assistance.

"I couldn't see him [through] the smashed window," Collins said. "You just couldn't see through."

While the water wasn't very deep, he knew it was cold.

Instead of waiting for the emergency crews to arrive, Collins rushed to the man's aid.

"I could hear him beeping his horn," he said. "I pounded on the van to let him know that I was there."

Now in the lake with the vehicle, he went around to the other side and looked in the window. The man, identified as Fred Morgan, 86, was moving inside.

"I tried to open the door," Collins said. "It would only open a foot or so, so I had to force it open."

Collins asked Morgan a series of questions to make sure he was alright and that he was alone in the vehicle.

"He was all twisted up," he said.

Morgan's foot looked to be stuck and the console was blocking his way out. Having ensured Morgan wasn't hurt, Collins tried to get him out of the vehicle.

"I grabbed him by the scruff of the neck and his hand, and pulled him out," he said. "I carried him over to the dock."

Being in the water for 10 minutes now, Collins could barely feel his feet.

"There was a good two feet of water [in the vehicle]. How he laid in it, I don't know."

See "Crash" on page 3

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## Life discussion worth having

By Matthew Desrosiers

The dust has settled after a vote in the House of Commons on Sept. 26 defeated a private member's motion (312) by MP Stephen Woodworth.

The motion was to appoint a 12-member committee to study the definition of a human being.

Widely seen as a less-than-subtle attempt to re-open the abortion debate, the motion, if it had passed, would have forced a re-evaluation of the criminal code which currently considers a child to be entitled to legal protection when it emerges, alive, from the womb.

Despite the Conservative Government's promise not to re-open the debate, this was a free vote and many members of the party voted in favour of the motion, including Barry Devolin, MP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock.

"I think if you look at the motion for what it actually says, it's basically saying that our generally accepted [idea] of when life begins dates back several hundred years and is defined as when the fetus completely leaves the birth channel," he said. "Given all we've learned in the last hundred years, it is worth revisiting that definition to determine when essentially a fetus crosses a line and becomes a human. That's relevant because laws, rules and principles around human rights start to kick in."

Devolin said the issue always seems to get boiled down to pro-life or pro-choice.

"I think there's a lot between those two poles and there's a lot we need to explore," he said. "Women's rights are central to this, but I think to suggest that's the only principle at stake is not realistic. I think it's willfully blind to some other factors that are involved."

Devolin explained that some babies survive a birth that's premature by six or eight weeks, so to say a fetus isn't a child until it emerges seems like an inadequate definition of human life for the purpose of legal rights.

"Most women at eight months would say no, it's a life, not just flesh," he said.

But the law says differently.

Devolin said his vote was his own and not influenced by his constituents.

"If I am aware that there's a significant majority in my riding on one side of an issue, then I would be very reluctant to vote against that," he said. "It's hard to measure that, short of running some sort of referendum or something in the riding."

While he knows the issues of when life begins and abortions elicit a strong emotional responses, Devolin said if people took the time to read what the motion actually said, they would better understand his decision.

"Based on what was presented before me, I had no problem with [the motion]," he said. "Most people who opposed it, I believe, had less to do with what was in the



Stock photo

MP Barry Devolin

motion and more about the slippery slope argument."

The slippery slope would be that if the motion was passed and it was determined life starts before birth, then the issue of whether or not abortions should be legal would come to the forefront.

"It's pretty hard for me to vote on the basis of something that might happen four steps down the line. I deal with what's placed before me."

With teenage pregnancy a continued concern in the Highlands, Devolin said he and his party have no intentions of changing the current law in Canada.

"I don't have any intention myself of driving any sort of debate or discussion on this issue," he said. "I'm not sure where it would go. I don't see what the consequence of that would be in terms of changing the reality."

Despite that, Devolin said this is an issue that will never truly go away.

"It's a classic political question that arises in countries around the world," he said. "It's not the first time it's come up here."

"I don't see it going away."

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# Highlander news



Photo by Walt Griffin

A man rolled his vehicle, boat and trailer in tow, into Pine Lake off Nila Road on Oct. 9. Despite the severity of the accident and the cold water, the driver, who was alone in the vehicle, walked away unharmed thanks to the help of a local worker.

## Crash victim suffered no injuries

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The pair waited by the dock until help came to assist Collins in lifting Morgan to safety. The paramedics checked the accident victim and found him to be in perfect health.

"He never had a scratch on him," Collins said. "He was lucky though, he really was."

He didn't seem to be hurt. He should have been. It was a bad accident. He's strong as a bull, that's for sure."

As emergency workers took over, Collins simply returned to his job. He had more work to do.

"I just happened to be there," he said. "It was nothing too serious."

"I'm just glad he's alright."

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# Editorial opinion

## Be like Mike

I like to think I'm the kind of person who can admit when he gets something wrong.

During my first month here, I heard about the Dysart Arena Wall of Fame getting two new faces painted on it, and I thought that was kind of neat. Then I saw the \$11,000 price tag and I thought council must have been crazy.

Sure, \$10,000 of that cost was covered by an anonymous donation made to the municipality for the purpose of improving parks and recreation, but I was adamant that money could have been better spent.

Was I wrong about that? Not really. It's true that there were more practical projects that funding could have been applied to.

Where I went wrong was ignoring the importance of this wall to the community.

After writing my rather scathing editorial, a community member chastised me and accused me of not understanding how a community like this places value on things. I didn't understand her, to be honest. My thinking was money was money, and emotions had nothing to do with it.

Well, after attending the mural unveiling for Mike Bradley this past weekend, I have come to understand what this lady was trying to tell me.

Not only was this athlete developed and nurtured within this community, but his career was followed with pride and love. And no matter how big he got or how far he went, Mike didn't forget about Haliburton, either.

His high school coaches were a part of

his career, every step of the way. When he walked through the supermarket, people waved him down to ask how things were going. He would stop and answer.

"It [was] very overwhelming, but I appreciate it very much," Mike said during the ceremony.

And when finally, after years of grueling practice and intense competition, Mike finally made it to the top, who did he call? From the locker room, surrounded by celebrating teammates, he called home to the coaches who put him on the path.

Since leaving the game of football, Mike has come back to Haliburton a few times, either to practice with the football team, or spend some time with an ailing lad who needed a boost to his spirits.

I've learned that in this community, you put an athlete like that out into the world and you think of him as the best of what you have to offer. You've put your heart and soul into his development, and like a proud parent, you rejoice at every success and mourn every failure.

Could that money have gone to something a little more practical than a painting on a wall?

Sure.

But I challenge you to find something more meaningful.



By Matthew Desrosiers

## Photo of the week



Photo by Mark Arike

The water tower in Minden peeks out from the autumn-coloured trees.

## Keep it real

I was a bit self-conscious, these past few months, as visitors and cottagers of all sorts fluxed into the Highlands. Kind of the way you feel when you have guests coming for dinner — keep things looking tidy, be polite, and don't air your dirty laundry in public.

Now that we're back *chez nous*, it feels as if we can discuss a few topics we may hesitate to bring up in mixed company. Inevitably, one of these is the uneasy relationship between cottagers and those of us who live here. I was privileged to speak to the Chamber of Commerce last week and talked about how we might benefit from the differences between these two groups by focusing on authenticity.

The problem is not inconsequential. The cottagers I know often remark among themselves that people can be rude around here. Funny, because people around here often remark that cottagers can be rude. The truth is, each group seems rude when measured against the expectations of the other. It's a common cross-cultural problem and you can find a hundred examples of the same type of misunderstanding in something as simple as a taxi ride.

In London, it's customary to exit the taxi first and pay through the window, rather than over the back seat, so the driver doesn't have to strain his neck by turning around. Do that in New York, however, and you're liable to be jumped by the driver; he'll assume you were trying to leave without paying.

As with taxi etiquette, the definition of rudeness depends on where you are. We assume that because we're all Canadians, all Ontarians, that we share a common culture; it's not true. Culture means the way we do things here, and indeed our ways are different in many respects, from opinions on hunting to how to spend a Saturday night.

That is why we find cottagers off-putting. They don't say hello on the street because that isn't done in the city. They seem demanding because if you're not demanding in a city of five million, you get nowhere. And so they come here.

They come because in a crowded, impersonal world, they crave what we have:

authenticity.

Authenticity can come in a variety of forms. The most obvious is in authentic products: locally-produced canoe paddles, maple syrup, art and other stuff

that says Highlands. Another option is to provide authentic experiences, for which we have many examples from ice fishing to ice racing. Products and experiences are what differentiate the Highlands in the minds of visitors and potential residents; we don't have to be the same as everywhere else and in fact we're at our best when we don't try to be.

When you don't have an authentic product or experience to offer, you still have the most authentic thing of all: yourself. Those city folk who rush in and out of our places of business are used to being anonymous and ignored. Imagine how much they'd appreciate someone who really knows what they're talking about, someone who takes the time to explain the pros and cons of oil-based versus water-based stains, or who has some great tips on the best places to see autumn leaves. You can't get that at Home Depot.

By the way, we need to remember that the cottager who wants to refinish his deck is not buying stain alone. He's buying a sense of self-sufficiency, something he can't get back in the city but something we have here in spades.

Our values of self-reliance, community spirit and practicality are worth sharing. Unfortunately, sometimes we're a bit hasty in our reactions. We see the flashy car, the expensive watch and immediately dislike the poseur in front of us. They can be hasty too, making snap judgments because of a local accent or because they can't find something in the grocery store. And yet they spend their time here. Why? Because it's real, and whether they understand it or not, they want to absorb a bit of the Highlands, as often and for as long as they can.

Who could blame them?



By Bram Lebo



## PHOTO OF THE WEEK

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# Letters to the Editor

## Maybe we do need a Walmart after all

Dear editor,

The idea of a Walmart is a wonderful idea for Haliburton County.

Just think of it, a much wider choice of every conceivable item to buy including food, and a savings of anywhere up to 50 per cent.

Bryce Blair, would you like to spearhead the drive?

And to enlighten you further with regards to your unfounded remarks about my previous letter to the editor, the stats I quoted came directly from the County Roads department, traffic and speed counter surveys on this road, not ones I made up or spent my valuable time counting.

You see, those stats were used initially to implement the Community Safety Zone, and later to re-enforce the findings. The

Community Safety Zone was put in because of my efforts to possibly help save innocent lives. The stats also showed speeds in excess of 75 km/h in a 40 km/h zone and around blind curves. I have lots to do other than count cars.

From the crap I have received from the gutless silent majority who whine but don't demand improvements, maybe it is a waste of my time trying to possibly save lives of innocent children and people crossing the road to buy an ice cream on a hot summer day in Ingoldsby!

So, in closing, Viva La Walmart and better prices and choices.

Robert Barnett  
Ingoldsby

## Don't change boundaries

Dear editor,

I totally agree with the county to oppose the electoral boundary changes as put forth by the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission.

What in God's name do we have in common with Uxbridge and Scugog? Perhaps Galway-Cavendish and Harvey could encompass Peterborough, but leave us alone. To Haliburton County taxpayers it would mean an increase in tax dollars we would contribute since we would be paying for entities in Uxbridge and Scugog that we would never use but from which they would benefit.

As for the City of Kawartha Lakes, it was established with the amalgamation process and now the commission wants to revamp that by making things even more complicated and less feasible. Haliburton County has always had ties with Lindsay and if the commission has its way would fragment the services and designation we share. Where is

the logic there?

Notice the anticipated meetings would be held in distant locations that have no connection to Haliburton County making it difficult for people to attend and voice their objections. I am assuming this outlandish process will allow public participation and I hope within Haliburton County or will it be another unconscionable process limiting public input?

The growing population is increasing in large urban centres, that being the greater GTA, Newmarket, Mississauga, Pickering and surrounding areas all of which have no connection to rural Ontario. It is up to the people of Haliburton County to stand up and voice their objection to the commission's proposed changes to the existing boundaries. Our voices need to be heard!

Bev MacDuff  
Gooderham

## Save the Red Oaks

Dear editor,

Want to know a little secret?

Red Oaks are very difficult to regenerate. Maples and other shade-loving trees on the other hand grow like weeds in the forest. The Red Oak does not like shade. Over 90 years ago, forest fires burned in this area, clearing the forest so that oaks that have very thick bark and are better able to withstand fire damage could grow in the open.

I have been told that before the railroad came through, white-tailed deer were uncommon in this area. They migrated here along the rail beds. White-tailed deer like to eat young Red Oaks as well as acorns. These two factors alone are the major reason for the lack of Red Oak regeneration. We have changed the rules of the game (no forest fires and a healthy deer population).

Red Oaks are unsurpassed as a food source for 20-30 species of wildlife that depend on them. This year, because of the dry conditions, many acorns have fallen from the trees undeveloped. Squirrels can carry acorns up to 200 metres from the tree to bury them; Blue Jays can bury them up to 4 kilometres away. We need a healthy population of Red Oaks to be parents to future generations.

We have a problem; do I dare say the Red

Oak is a species at risk? We are members of the natural world and if we lose one member we all lose!

The MNR has proposed that in 2016-2021 the forest in question that we have a 21 year mining lease on (Greenmantle Farm Mineral Eco Tours), will go under the loggers' chainsaws. This forest contains a number of Red Oaks. I can see no evidence that this forest was ever logged in the past, although the MNR ringed some trees in 1984 to improve the stand on the Crown lot and our bush. This 100-acre Crown lot is landlocked and protected by high hills that would have made logging with horses difficult. That is why it is still here. That is why I feel it needs to be protected because of its rarity in the Haliburton Highlands.

I will be leading a free tour on Oct. 13 to see our managed lot as well as the Crown lot with the Red Oaks. Come see for yourselves what I am talking about, and sign a petition if you wish in support of saving the old Red Oak forest.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Bramham  
Greenmantle Farm

## Tell us your opinion

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## The Outsider — And there it was, gone

By Will Jones

Jees, Thanksgiving has come and gone already. Seems like it was only a few weeks ago that I was stalking skeets for last year's feast!

October! Did you hear me, it's October. Can that really be possible? What happened to July, August and September? Where did the year go?

I'm baffled by just how fast time flies nowadays. They say it gets faster as you get older because you've spent longer living, so each year is less of a percentage of your life to date.

Depressing, eh?

Makes sense though. That's why the school summer holidays seemed so long when you were a kid, while now eight weeks fly by so fast that the only way of keeping track of them is to count the number of Hydro bills you've received.

This sudden jolt of realization that we're not far from Christmas, that it'll soon be time to strap on the snow boots, got me thinking about all the things that I said I was going to do this year, and the relative few that I actually got done.

There's the tedious stuff like painting the

outside of the house (didn't do it), digging new garden beds (didn't do it), replacing the deck, which is slowly rotting into the backyard (didn't do it) or decorating the kitchen and bedroom (didn't do them either). In my defence, I did put in a new bathroom: although that was a job that fell off of last year's list, and I cleaned the car. Doesn't sound like much but it got cleaned one more time than last year.

But then, there are also the fun things. I promised that I'd fish the beautiful little private lake that I've been granted access to a lot more this year. The upshot of that is I broke the promise, failing miserably and only getting out there about four times.

My lovely wife and I said we'd go camping this year, now that Little Z is getting big enough to cause real trouble in the big outdoors. We got the tent out and aired it in the backyard. And we aired it and aired it... Then fall came, so we packed it up and put it back in the garage. So much for camping: maybe next year. Or, perhaps we need to be a little less nesh (it's an English term that means lily-livered that means wimpy...) and just get out there now!

I'd also planned to get my firearms license.

But October arrived with so little warning that I missed my chance to do that before the hunt season. Guess I'll be scrounging moose sausages from friends again. Did you hear that, friends? I said "I guess..."

Why is it we have so many great plans and yet get so little done? Is it just me? I ask because as I think about it I recollect my friend Hector's visit to see me this year. He had flown from Blighty to Toronto for a conference and had just two days vacation at its end before having to fly back to the UK.

Hector came up to Haliburton. We had a celebratory drink or two on his arrival and woke up the next morning with rather large hangovers. Nevertheless, Hector strode into Haliburton RPM and went for a water skiing lesson.

"I've never done it and I can do it now, so I'm gonna," was his reasoning.

Later that day we canoed across Lake Kashagawigamog because "I'm in Canada. I've got to go canoeing." Half way across the lake he announced that he was going to jump out of the boat and cool off. I warned that if he got out there'd be no way of getting back in and he'd be swimming to shore.

SPLASH!

He swam back.

"Thought it would be a laugh," he said, catching his breath on the beach.

We kayaked at the white-water reserve. We visited McKecks, the Northwood and the Wigamog Inn. We stayed outside until three in the morning, staking out the compost bin to see if we could see a bear that had been frequenting the garden. We went on a beaver hunt (no puns please). Basically, he and I packed in a whole host of stuff into two days. Probably more than I did for the rest of the year.

But why?

The real answer may always elude me but I blame Hector and his never-waning spirit of adventure.

Perhaps I should invite him to come stay for two weeks next summer, so that I can do all the things I meant to and it'll feel like I achieved something when Thanksgiving comes around again.

Not sure how he'd feel about flying to Canada to help rebuild the deck, paint the house, decorate the kitchen...



By Will Jones



# Highlander opinions

## Eye on the street: What are your thoughts on big game hunting in the Highlands?



**Brenda Newell**

Camarvon

It certainly helps to keep the deer numbers under control. Fewer deer and bears are good so we do not have them destroy our cars when they run into us at night.

**Derek Beachli**

Haliburton

It is great. We have a good variety of quality game animals. Great opportunity for camaraderie with friends and family.



**Jayshelle Kitcheman**

Minden

My sisters have been bow hunting since the archery deer season opened. Our family is big into hunting. Hunting is great as long as you eat what you harvest.

**Steve Searle**

West Guilford

I think it is great. Lots of opportunity and lots of animals. As a hunter I know it is a great management tool for the control of animal numbers.



**Tom Henderson**

Haliburton

I think it is a good idea, especially for the bear hunting. There are far too many bears around since they cancelled the spring bear hunt.

## AH seeking cash for ramps

By Lisa Harrison

Algonquin Highlands township has applied for a new Enabling Accessibility Fund (EAF) for four projects including a new wheelchair ramp and entrance for its offices on North Shore Road.

The township also hopes to reconfigure the washrooms and doorways in the building.

The other projects are a new wheelchair ramp at the Oxtongue Lake Community Centre from the upper level rear exit to the lower level entrance, installation of three accessible entrances at the Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall, and replacement of two vault toilets and buildings at the Dorset Highway 35 parkette.

Council approved the application at its Oct. 4 meeting.

Mark Coleman, parks, trails and recreation manager, researched options for council and has been gathering three quotes per project as is required by the EAF.

"We basically reviewed the list of facilities and accessibility issues we have for the township throughout the county," Coleman told council when he presented options at the Sept. 20 meeting. "The list is longer than the money we have available, so we tried to look at...what are our main public facilities or higher-use facilities that those projects would benefit the most, and as well, try to spread it out a little bit across the municipality."

The federal fund provides up to \$50,000

for eligible municipal projects that create or enhance accessibility for people with disabilities, including construction, renovation or retrofitting of buildings.

At least 25 per cent of the eligible project funding must come from non-government sources, and council elected to apply with 33 per cent in township funding for a greater chance of success.

Project costs are estimated at \$21,301 for the township office, \$24,473 for the two community centres and \$10,800 for the parkette. The township's portion of the total \$56,574 would be \$19,143, to be taken from reserves for accessibility projects built up over the past few years.

Discussions centred in large part around the ramp for the Oxtongue Lake Community Centre.

Coleman called the rear staircase "horrible" and said there could be issues if a fire or other emergency forced all users to exit at the rear. Chief Administrative Officer Angie Bird advised if the centre continues to operate, provincial regulations mandate accessibility.

Coleman added if a legal issue arises from a fire or other situation, the township must have provided appropriate entrances and exits.

"So this is one solution – rather than spending \$150,000 to build onto the building...this is a significant opportunity to improve the accessibility and the safety of the facilities."

Under funding guidelines work on approved projects would begin by March 31, 2013 and end within 52 weeks.

## Weekday Nordic ski packages on the horizon

By Lisa Harrison

Algonquin Highlands may begin offering weekday package discounts on township ski trails in 2013 based on staff recommendations to council at its Oct. 4 meeting.

Mark Coleman, parks, recreation and trails manager, recommended the ski packages as well as a minor fee increase for group camping sites. Council approved preparation of a bylaw covering the changes for final review at its Oct. 18 meeting.

"I'd like to encourage more weekday use of the ski trails, that's where we have the biggest opportunity for growth," Coleman told council, saying user feedback last season revealed people who take three-day ski vacations are doing so elsewhere due to lower fees, discounts or package pricing.

"We're getting in the business on the weekends regardless; the weekdays are where we have the greatest capacity to take on more people," said Coleman. "I'd rather have some money than no money at all

coming in."

The two-day weekday ski pass would be \$20 for adults, \$16 for seniors and \$7.50 for youth. The three-day weekday pass would be \$26 for adults, \$21 for seniors and \$10 for youth. These compare to regular daily fees of \$13 for adults, \$10.50 for seniors and \$5 for youth, which will remain unchanged.

Weekday skiers renting equipment would pay \$25 per day regardless of weekday package or age, compared to regular rental fees of \$5 to \$25 in addition to the pass fee.

Snowshoe rentals will remain unchanged.

Reeve Carol Moffatt asked about promotion of the trails by local resorts. Coleman confirmed resorts do promote the trails. He added staff members attended tourism packaging seminars and are working on an accommodation package, which may be ready for review by November.

"We had the first meeting with Faren Group, the company that's doing the

county's new tourism website," said Moffatt. "Packages and front-end promotion of those local packages factored highly in those conversations, so the timing's perfect because by the time the website's ready, hopefully some of those (accommodation) packages will be [ready for promotion]."

Coleman said the department markets ski trails through Ontario Snow Resorts and direct mail to season pass members. Staff made lists of those who commented about weekday ski discounts last year and will notify them once those packages have been approved.

The department is also investigating cross-promotion and revenue sharing with Haliburton Nordic so skiers can use all trails in the county on one pass, Coleman added.

The only other recommended change for trail rates in 2013 was a boost to the group fee for overnight camping from \$120 to \$125.

"Our biggest impact on operations this

past year has been the volume of growth in use of group sites by all the youth camp operations, and we've had to put more effort and time into maintaining those sites specifically versus anything else we have," Coleman told council.

"One of the things we have been targeting over the years is somewhat of an encouragement for them to make their group sizes smaller and use the smaller sites. Therefore there is less impact on the environment and the landscape of the sites."

"Given the amount of work that the group sites do take, is this increase enough?" asked Deputy Reeve Liz Danielsen.

Coleman said attendance declined in earlier years, which he attributed to the sluggish economy through 2008. He agreed there is more capacity for increase now "but from a business standpoint we don't want to scare them away, either."

Coleman added many of the users are church and youth groups that don't have the same resources as commercial camps.



# Highlander news

## Walker named new food program coordinator

By Mark Arike

As of Sept. 1, Aaron Walker became the coordinator of Haliburton County's Food for Kids program. Although the position is new to him, he's no stranger to what the student nutrition program is all about.

"I had already been coordinating the breakfast program at JDH for about two years and I had been a member of the [Food for Kids] steering committee," said Walker, who took over the position after Jenna Burnett's departure. "And I was volunteering three mornings a week at JDH."

With the new position comes new responsibilities. But Walker doesn't believe his workload will necessarily increase because of it.

"It isn't like it's going to take up a whole lot more of my time," he said. "It's just a bit more direct involvement with volunteer

recruitment and fundraising."

He admits that he continues to volunteer three to five mornings per week at various schools throughout the county.

In addition to his volunteer work, Walker works full-time as the head chef at McKecks in Haliburton.

A Toronto native who has lived in the Highlands for several years, Walker believes his strong ties to the community will assist him in the position.

"I have a large network of people to draw from," he said.

When he first started the job, he noticed that the program was in need of a few coordinators and other volunteers.

"That took a lot of phone calls and e-mails to try to figure out how to get people involved."

The Food for Kids program receives some funding from the Ministry of Children and Youth Services, and the Trillium Lakelands

District School Board. However, most of the \$35-40,000 that is needed to deliver the program comes from community donations.

While Walker points out that fundraising is important, volunteers are just as vital to the program's continued success.

"I would say it takes 55-60 volunteers to operate [the program] at the seven schools in the county. We could roughly use another six volunteers to take the pressure off the people who are volunteering."

A typical volunteer position would see someone prepare and serve meals for students in the morning.

"It usually takes an hour, between 8 and 9 a.m.," said Walker. "Some programs run three days a week, some run five days a week. But as a volunteer, even if you just came one day a week, that would lighten the load on other volunteers."

Volunteers must go through a police check, which is free and can be done through the

school, added Walker.

As an experienced volunteer with the program, Walker sees how it contributes to the well-being of students.

"You don't want to stigmatize anybody, but there are obviously some kids who rely on the program," he said. "They're there everyday to get the food and it's really important to them."

The program isn't only for disadvantaged children in the area. It also benefits those who might have forgotten a lunch or didn't get one that day.

"The Food for Kids food will still be on the school premises, so even if it's not a breakfast the EAs or teachers can come make the kids a lunch from the food that we have."

To learn more about the program or to become a volunteer, contact Aaron at 705-455-2358 or e-mail [awalkerfood4kids@gmail.com](mailto:awalkerfood4kids@gmail.com)

## Take a spin to support Food for Kids

By Mark Arike

As a parent and someone who operates a business that keeps people healthy, Andrea Butera recognizes the importance of eating right.

And this September, when her son A.J. entered junior kindergarten, she saw first-hand just how the Haliburton County Food for Kids program is helping nourish children across the county.

"The Food for Kids program is very important to this community and I realized the need for support when my son started junior kindergarten at Stuart Baker [Elementary School]," said Butera.

Established in 1999, the Food for Kids program delivers snacks, breakfasts and lunches to approximately 2,200 children in all seven of the county's schools. With the help of over 50 volunteers, 3,500 breakfasts and snacks are prepared and distributed each week.

Since the program heavily relies on donations (it takes \$35-40,000 to run annually) Butera wanted to do something to help. Her fundraising idea: host a by-donation, indoor cycling event at her business, Haliburton Indoor Cycling.

She quickly got in touch with Aaron Walker, the new Food for Kids coordinator, through a Facebook page set up for the program.

"It's awesome that Andrea is participating in this fundraising initiative," said Walker. "It's a really important

program. It's great to see a diversified group of people helping."

This isn't the first time that Butera has helped raise money for a good cause. In the past she has hosted spinning events for Do It For Daron, a teen suicide prevention campaign, and the Haliburton Highlands Mountain Bike Club.

"When I've done events like this in the past, they've worked really well," she said.

The event will take place on Saturday, Oct. 27 and will include two classes – one at 8 a.m. and the other at 9 a.m. (with the possibility of a third being added if needed). The classes are open to men and women of all fitness levels.

"You don't have to segregate people based on their fitness level, which is the beauty of this program," she said.

Walker is looking forward to mounting one of the stationary bikes.

"I'm going to come do a class," he laughed.

Those who want to donate but would rather not spin can do so by dropping off their funds to Haliburton Indoor Cycling, located in the lower level of the Stedman's mall. Tax receipts will be issued. Butera will also be accepting canned goods for the local food bank on the day of the event.

To book a class call Andrea at 705-457-5984 or e-mail [haliburtonindoorcycling@hotmail.com](mailto:haliburtonindoorcycling@hotmail.com).



Photo by Mark Arike

Andrea Butera, owner of Haliburton Indoor Cycling, takes it easy while Aaron Walker, coordinator of the Haliburton County Food for Kids program, tests out a stationary bike. Butera is hosting a fundraiser for Food for Kids on Oct. 27.

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# Highlander business

## New satellite school may take flight

By Lisa Harrison

Local aspiring pilots hope to see a satellite flight school established at Haliburton/Stanhope Municipal Airport following their completion of an on-site ground school course this summer.

Jurrien Hoekstra, one of 11 students who took the course, has already bought a used plane with a partner but is effectively grounded due to the instructor's career change.

The Class 1 pilot who provided the satellite training at Haliburton/Stanhope was based at Lindsay Municipal Airport but recently accepted a job in northern Ontario. Hoekstra says he fully understands the move, but it's frustrating for those who've completed their ground training and now have to wait to do the flight time.

"I've got 2.7 hours so far in the air, and it's all come to a screaming halt," Hoekstra says ruefully. "I'd love to solo before the snow flies. You need 17 hours to go solo, then you can pick your days" and practice techniques recommended by the flight instructor.

Haliburton/Stanhope Manager Duane Hicks says seven of the ground school students want to take the flight training (at least two did the ground school just as a refresher). A second list is now growing for both ground and flight training.

Hicks has put the word out at conferences and in the industry for another pilot willing to do both, and Hoekstra is offering room and board.

A former Ontario Hydro employee, Hoekstra was dropped into and retrieved from remote work locations on cables by helicopter.

"Helicopters have always been an interest to me, but they're expensive and hard to maintain," he says with a chuckle. "I turned 60 so I thought, instead of always tinkering in the garage, I need something

with a little more meat on it... I always liked airplanes and helicopters – who didn't as a kid – so I thought, better now than when [I'm] 70, right?"

Now retired, Hoekstra moved to Eagle Lake from Tottenham 10 years ago. When

he volunteered his hangar for the school.

The students took the 40-hour training in eight-hour days over five Fridays through August and September.

"It's a lot to pack in – most training is two hours a night and lasts half a year,"



Photo by Lisa Harrison

Aspiring pilot Jurrien Hoekstra completed ground school this summer at Haliburton/Stanhope Municipal Airport.

he learned earlier this year that Hicks had been hired and had a background with Buffalo Air (operating in the far north), Hoekstra approached him about setting up a school.

Hicks agreed to try to arrange a satellite. The two located 10 other students and Hicks found an instructor, whom the students paid directly. Hoekstra says Lorne Heise of Heat-Line Freeze Protection Systems and his son enrolled for the course as a refresher and Heise

says Hicks.

The students are now waiting for flight training. Hicks says they can do their written exams at any time but it's recommended students have 10 hours of flight time to correlate the practical with the academic.

The satellite really only needs a Class 3 pilot, Hicks adds, explaining once students have flight training they'll be able to travel to airports with Class 1 and 2 instructors, for example St. Thomas, and could get

their pre-flight, recommendation and test in the same day.

Meanwhile, Hoekstra watches the weather.

"There are set-backs to everything. But I stay positive."

He looks ahead to the possibility of a full flight school at Haliburton/Stanhope.

"The options here are getting underutilized," he says.

Citing the news Toronto Buttonville Municipal Airport may close within two years, Hoekstra says planes there are bound to filter up to airports north of the city, and it would be nice to "entice" some of the industry from Buttonville up here as well.

Hoekstra also points out the Young Eagles program, where annually pilots take interested young people up for flights, is run at Haliburton/Stanhope. However, he says, youth can get a student pilot's licence (at 14) before they can drive to Peterborough to take the training, so there's really no follow-through for them.

He says he can't say enough about local pilots, and they "really want to see new people in the air."

"It's a really good group, supportive. They don't know you from a hole in the wall but they come forward... I've got this little flight computer, you can have it', another guy offered me a flight bag."

"A lot of people have the false impression that they're people with money, and it's a closed community," Hoekstra says, but adds "they're a very giving bunch, very open" and most people share plane ownership, with used vehicles costing the same as a new, mid-range pickup truck.

"Most of the people that own airplanes are driving very crappy vehicles, because they have a passion for airplanes and flying so it's a freedom that they're willing to give up other stuff to do."

## Highlands can paddle its own canoe

By Matthew Desrosiers

Contrary to what Hollywood might tell you, fake doesn't sell.

Authenticity does.

Bram Lebo, owner/publisher of the The Highlander Newspaper, spoke in front of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce membership at their annual general meeting on Oct. 4 about the importance of being authentic in the Highlands.

"We're living in a world where people now crave authenticity," he said. "People are really craving the connectivity and realness that can come from a small community like this."

Lebo said the Highlands occupies a unique space in Ontario.

"Authenticity allows us to differentiate ourselves, to be the Highlands," he said. "That is a unique position. We're not Muskoka."

For businesses to be successful, Lebo said they must capitalize on what the Highlands has to offer.

"We're not [just] selling souvenirs and we're not selling walks in the woods," he said. "We're not selling fishing or hunting expeditions. We're selling the Highlands experience. Something you can't get in other places."

There's a pressure felt in the Highlands to dress ourselves up and pretend to be something else, he said. For example, why sell food that is not local to the area?

"We do it because we feel we need to be cosmopolitan," he said. "I disagree."

Kawartha Dairy, for example, is successful not because of the quality of their ice cream, which Lebo said was good, but because they're a local company that has become part of the cottage experience.

"It's authentic. It's local. The store itself is a

landmark on the way to the cottage."

There are barriers to authenticity, however, including customer service and feelings of inadequacy, he said.

In our community, where cottagers come in with large-limit credit cards in a rush to get to the cottage, there can sometimes be a clash between us and them, he said.

"We're both rude, in the context of how we treat each other in our own communities, we seem rude to the other group," he said. We need to understand them better."

Sometimes staff are intimidated by city people and the money they throw around, he said.

"We need to get over that," said Lebo.

"We're pretty great in a completely different way."

Building pride in our community will directly impact that authenticity, he said. But it starts with young people.

"We are doing something wrong, because you look at the kids around here, the way they walk, they're not walking around with pride," he said. "They're not standing tall. We need to work much harder, from the ground up, get them interested in the community, get them interested in business and get them understanding they come from a place that is as valuable, interesting and culturally sophisticated as any place in the world."

"We're just different, and they need to take pride in that difference and not feel inadequate because they don't have a BMW."

Lebo said if we can accomplish that, it will strengthen the community and will go further to develop the authenticity we need to attract residents, visitors and cottagers to the Highlands.

"We can create things and experiences that [will be] worth coming back for."



# Highlander arts

## Treasuring cultural community

By Lisa Harrison

The municipal cultural plan draft report for Algonquin Highlands is complete and a cultural visioning session will be held this month for residents to provide final input.

Margaret Walton of Planscape Inc., the consultants hired in May to develop the plan, presented the draft report to council at its Oct. 4 meeting.

The plan is intended to help the township make the best use of its cultural resources and plan for the future.

Reeve Carol Moffatt said the draft report will be posted on the township website for review before the visioning session and expressed hope for a large turnout. "I know there are some really good ideas out there in the community."

"Frankly, some of the ideas that are out there – they're not going to happen... so I think there needs to be a debate about that," said Walton. "People need to understand what the reasons are behind why things are chosen and why things aren't. We've tried to emphasize clearly the township has limited resources."

Walton reported the township's largest population group is aged 50 to 75, "typical of most of rural Ontario." The number of township residents who lived elsewhere five years ago is 29 per cent versus the province's average 12 per cent, reflecting the growing rural retirement trend.

Residents feel a stronger link to their own communities – Dorset, Oxtongue Lake and Stanhope – than they do to the township, and long-term residents feel a loss of community while new residents treasure the sense of community, said Walton.

Workshops revealed history is important to all, and while each community listed different strengths, natural beauty was a common thread. Weaknesses included lack of infrastructure, amenities, high-speed Internet, and health services. The lack of a school was given as a major reason for the

shortage of youth.

Future desires include enhancement of the Oxtongue Lake Community Centre, improved access to Dorset attractions, support for trail systems and the Haliburton/Stanhope Airport, and revitalization of the Frost Centre.

The questionnaire drew 60 responses, about evenly split between permanent and seasonal residents. Walton said this was an "outstanding" response rate for a township this size.

Ward 1 Councillor Gord Henderson asked whether the seasonal responses would skew the results.

"We do a lot of work in a lot of municipalities up here and there's often quite a divide between seasonal and permanent," Walton replied. "I didn't see that here. I think you've got a much more integrated community where seasonal tends to blend with permanent. I think it's really healthy, actually. That's one of the strengths of this township."

The questionnaire's inventory results showed 308 resources primarily in three clusters, mainly located on water and along Highways 35 and 60, marking a clear route for studio tours and other marketing opportunities, Walton reported.

Respondents listed lack of funding resources, the dispersed population and inadequate marketing as the top three challenges to cultural development, and were evenly split on the sufficiency of current cultural programs.

As potential improvements, respondents listed a better definition of culture, an increase in the number of events, more books on local history, partnerships, funding, appealing to youth, and reducing the seasonal nature of resources.

The cultural visioning session will take place Oct. 17 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre, 1051 Main St. in Dorset. Public feedback will be incorporated into the final plan with the consultants' recommendations for council approval.

## Haliburton County's Hot Roads

The following are the top five fiction and non-fiction titles as requested this week at the Haliburton County Public Library.



### HCPL's TOP FIVE FICTION

1. *Fifty Shades of Grey* by E.L. James
2. *Trust Your Eyes* by Linwood Barclay
3. *Up and Down* by Terry Fallis
4. *Stray Bullets* by Robert Rotenberg
5. *The Beautiful Mystery* by Louise Penny



### HCPL's TOP FIVE NON-FICTION

1. *Wheat Belly: Lose the Wheat, Lose the Weight, and Find Your Path Back to Health* by William Davis
2. *Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail* by Cheryl Strayed
3. *Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World That Won't Stop Talking* by Susan Cain
4. *Thinking Fast and Slow* by Daniel Kahneman
5. *The Wealthy Barber Returns* by David Chilton

*Up and Down* by Terry Fallis is brand new to our shelves and already one of our most popular titles. *The Best Laid Plans* and *The High Road*, the author's previous novels, were smash successes here in Haliburton County so it is no surprise *Up and Down* has been released to similar fanfare. This new book, a standalone novel, features a PR agent who is tasked with trying to revitalize the Canadian public's interest in the space program.

If you appreciate the trademark satiric wit of Terry Fallis, you can meet him in person at the Friends of Haliburton County Public Library's Annual Book Gala at Pinestone Resort on Nov. 4. Fallis will be there to do a reading of *Up and Down*, answer your questions and hear your comments. It should be an awesome literary afternoon! Call 705-457-2695 for tickets.

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# Highlander people

## Farmers, soldiers and witches: finding the Haliburton Nicholls family

By Donna Gagnon

When I offered to help a neighbour with his family research, neither of us expected connections to the War of 1812, the American Revolution and the Salem Witch Trials.

Chris Nicholls and his six siblings were born in Haliburton. Their maternal grandparents, James Henry Davies and Myrtle (nee Herron) Davies were also born in Haliburton and are buried in Evergreen Cemetery. This side of the family consisted mainly of hard-working farming families and has been traced back to 3<sup>rd</sup> great-grandparents who were born in Ireland and England.

At first, the story appeared to be very similar on their father's side. Grandfather George Nicholls was a mill labourer. Great grandfather Aaron Nichols, born 1856 in Bridgenorth, was a farmer. He and his wife Isabella (nee Morrison) had seven children.

The life of their third great grandfather, Stephen Nichols, is right out of the history books. Stephen was born in 1795 in Bainbridge, Chenango, New York to parents Benjamin and Phoebe (nee Norton) Nichols. In 1811, he came to Canada with his parents. Stephen served as a Loyalist in the War of 1812.

Following the war, Benjamin purchased 200 acres of land in Hamilton Township (now part of Northumberland County in central Ontario) and Stephen settled there. When the Government of Upper Canada broke up the townships of Smith, North Monaghan and Asphodel for distribution to war veterans as payment for their services, Stephen applied for a parcel. In 1819, the Land Board for the District of Newcastle awarded him the front part of lot 12 in the 7<sup>th</sup> concession of Smith.

In 1821, Stephen married American-born Delilah Boyce and they had 10 children. Stephen and Delilah took possession of

the awarded land in 1824 and built a log cabin. In the 1840s, the cabin was replaced by an impressive two-storey stone home which still stands on the shores of Chemong Lake in Bridgenorth.

In addition to becoming an early Ontario land settler and farmer, Stephen Nichols served as the first district councillor from Smith Township on District of Colbourne Council (1842) and first Smith Township justice of the peace (1842-46). Stephen died in 1850 and was interred in the family cemetery behind the house. His remains were later moved to Lakefield Cemetery.

Through their 7<sup>th</sup> great-grandfather, the Haliburton Nicholls' family is connected to a judge in the Salem Witch Trials. John Hoag was born in England in 1643. When he was about seven years old, he arrived in New England with his parents and siblings. Shortly thereafter, his father decided to return the family to England. John was indentured as an apprentice at that point and was left behind as his master was unwilling to release him. He ultimately married Ebenezer Emery, had 11 children, worked as a weaver and became involved in local matters. He is said to have been "a man of good natural abilities" and served as first side judge in the Salem Witch Trials until he was removed from office as he "... dissented from the other judges by opposing the persecution (from The Compendium of American Genealogy, Vol VI, pg 782)."

In addition, the wife of Jeremiah Gatchell, a Nicholls first cousin 10-times removed, Elizabeth (nee Goude) Gatchell attested to the good character of Mary Bradbury who was accused of witchcraft in Salem but found innocent. Elizabeth's involvement in this trial so distressed Jeremiah that he left his wife and moved to Philadelphia.

Chris Nicholls still has the small piece of paper on which he noted names of his immediate family, along with dates



Photo by Donna Gagnon

Chris Nicholls and Honeybee.

and places of birth. Beginning with that, he now has a much larger picture of the rich characters in his family tree and a sense of where they connect to history.



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# Highlander people

## Real estate agent second-guesses retirement

By Mark Arike

Lawrence VanLieshout's career-changing moment came when he was looking for a cottage in the Haliburton Highlands.

The 78-year-old, who officially retired from his career in real estate on Sept. 1, was encouraged to get into the business nearly 40 years ago when his former boss at Cooper and Pitts Real Estate, Jim Cooper, took notice of his negotiating skills.

"In 1973, I wanted to buy a little cottage," explained VanLieshout. "They were asking \$10,000 for the cottage and I was going to offer \$8,000. He [Jim Cooper] said, 'You're a tough one to deal with. You should go into real estate.'"

VanLieshout, who was a truck driver at the time, laughed at Cooper's proposition.

"I said, 'I'm a truck driver.' He said, 'No, I think you could do it.'"

In April of 1973, VanLieshout took a few short courses and embarked on his new career path. It was a challenging transition for the man who immigrated to Canada from Holland in 1958.

"In my first year I remember I made \$3,500," he said. "It was no good at all."

Prior to getting into real estate VanLieshout worked as a transport truck driver for International Cartage.

"I was hauling loads for GM from Windsor to Oshawa. I had my own unit; I was an owner and operator. I did fairly well."

He did that for seven years, clocking an average of 3,500 miles per week. When the company underwent changes and VanLieshout lost his job, he needed to make a decision.

"I knew I couldn't keep on driving out of Oshawa, and the wife and the family are in Haliburton. That didn't make any sense."

When he joined his family in Haliburton and began his career

in real estate, VanLieshout held jobs on the side as a school bus and dump truck driver. However, it wasn't long before he was earning enough to focus solely on real estate.

"It was very hard for me to get going in real estate, but I was persistent. In '74 I did about as well as I did in transport. So I was okay then."

In 1976 VanLieshout obtained his broker's license and said, "I'm going to quit next year and I'm going to start on my own." And that's just what he did by founding VanLieshout Real Estate Ltd. in 1977.

"I operated out of the house for a couple of years as the wife could answer the calls. That way I was able to keep my expenses down."

In 1979 he opened up an office on Haliburton's main street. In 1981 he got his CRA (Canadian Residential Appraiser) designation.

In 1996 his son Anthony, a real estate agent in Toronto at the time, took over the business. VanLieshout, who was in his 60s, agreed to stay with the company for a year to make sure the transition went smoothly. It did, but VanLieshout wasn't ready to leave.

He also worked with his other son, Wilfred, for 13 years.

While pausing to reflect, he finds himself second-guessing his decision to retire.

"I have a passion for real estate and I don't know if I even should have quit. I'm usually very active and I really have a supreme problem with doing nothing."

VanLieshout's original plan was to retire next August. He altered that plan after evaluating his options.

"Your costs keep on going. You had to do your credits, you have to do your insurance, you have to pay your board dues. In the winter I go down south and I wouldn't be back until April. I



Photo by Mark Arike

After nearly 40 years in real estate, 78-year-old Lawrence VanLieshout has decided to retire.

didn't think it would make sense to keep on paying six months dues and come back to real estate for three months and quit."

Although real estate has been his main focus, VanLieshout has been a volunteer driver for Community Care and the Canadian Cancer Society for the past couple of years. He says he isn't a golfer and doesn't have any hobbies.

"Real estate was my hobby, real estate was my passion."

Looking back he has no regrets.

"I have enjoyed it. The people in this area have been great."

He gives his wife, Maria, special thanks for always being by his side.

"My wife has always been enormously supportive. If I wasn't home she answered the phone and got me the messages. She always made sure I was taken care of when I got home with dinner waiting... She's been really, really good."

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## The Computer Guy Remembering Steve



By David Spaxman

October 5 marked the one-year anniversary of Steve Jobs's passing, and, to commemorate the occasion, Apple had a video tribute to its late co-founder and CEO posted on its website.

*Remembering Steve* presents a slideshow highlighting some iconic moments and famous quotes from Jobs's time at Apple, including the launch of the iMac and iPod, which would set the stage for perhaps the greatest turnaround in corporate history. The video, scored with classical music, features close to two minutes of images of the late CEO and voiceovers from Mr. Jobs himself. The video is no longer on their site but you can view it on YouTube. Search for *Remembering Steve*.

It begins with the Apple co-founder sharing some inspiration: "There is an old Wayne Gretzky quote that I love: 'I skate to where the puck is going to be, not where it has been.'"

Along with the video there's a letter from Tim Cook, who replaced Jobs as CEO after he stepped down in August 2011, describing Jobs's death as a sad and difficult time as well as reflecting on how he touched people's lives.

"One of the greatest gifts Steve gave to the world is Apple," he wrote. "No company has ever inspired such creativity or set such high standards for itself. Our values originated from Steve and his spirit will forever be the foundation of Apple. We share the great privilege and responsibility of carrying his legacy into

the future."

Jobs died at age 56 on Oct. 5, 2011 following a long battle with pancreatic cancer. After Mr. Jobs's death, many wondered whether the company could remain on top of the fickle technology world.

Under Mr. Cook, Apple has debut several new products, including the new iPad, a refreshed line of Mac Book computers and the iPhone 5.

Apple paid dividends for the first time in 17 years and its stock is up 75 per cent in the year since Mr. Jobs's death. It has been more open about the labor conditions at its supplier plants in China, however plenty remains the same. And that's a good thing. Apple is still the most valuable public company in the world, it operates as efficiently as ever, and people are still buying their products in droves.

Whether you are an Apple fan or not, it's hard to deny Jobs is one of the most iconic leaders in the history of the computer industry. As the company's famous ad proclaims regarding the "Crazy Ones": "You can quote them, disagree with them, glorify or vilify them. About the only thing you can't do is ignore them. Because they change things."

Steve Jobs February 24, 1955 – October 5, 2011.

For questions or comments, e-mail me at [computerguy@haliburtonhighlander.ca](mailto:computerguy@haliburtonhighlander.ca). Happy and safe computing!

## Poisonous plant spotted in Minden



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Known as Doll's Eyes, this poisonous plant was spotted by a local resident in a ravine north of Hunter Creek Estates in Minden.

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# Highlander sports



Photo by Warren Riley

Red Hawks stop Lakefield dead in their tracks.

## Red Hawks pummel Lakefield Tigers 38-6

By Warren Riley

The gauntlet was laid down by the visiting Lakefield Tigers, but the HHSS Boys Junior Football Red Hawks never saw it.

From the beginning of play, the Red Hawks were in complete control. The Tigers had no idea what was happening to them.

Red Hawk coach Bruce Griffith directed his team with precision.

Griffith foresaw every play by the opposition and conveyed his analysis to the team. Those instructions were carried out with skill and the results were touchdowns and converts.

Red Hawks safety Joseph Patrick picked up a fumble, ran 65 yards on the outside and scored the first touchdown just 27 seconds into the first quarter. The gauntlet had been smashed and the game was all but over for the Tigers. It had become a one-sided affair.

Crowd attendance was high with over 150 onlookers either standing or sitting in the bleachers. Their cheers of encouragement were sweet music to the Red Hawks.

Additional touchdowns by Matt Rider, Ben Davis and a

second by Joseph Patrick at the end of the first widened the gap. The score was 30-6 Red Hawks going into the half.

At the halfway mark, referee Tom Prole found the game progressing nicely.

"The game is pretty much back and forth," he said. "It's a clean game so far and the players are giving a good effort on both sides. Lakefield is a first year team so they have a lot to learn and they seem to have adjusted as the half went on, which is good."

The Red Hawks' confidence and aggressiveness spilled into the second half. Their blocking showed exceptional control of play, eliminating most advances made by the Tigers. Aggressive tackling and constant pressure by the Red Hawks seemed to deplete any energy the Tigers held back in reserve.

Adding insult to injury, Red Hawks' cornerback, Cody Bain, scored late in the fourth quarter making the final score 38-6 Red Hawks.

The Lakefield Junior Boys Football team was returning after being absent for an estimated 40 years. According to the Tiger's Coach Tyler Chambers, he was pleased with his team's overall performance.

"It's our first time in the league so we've had a bit of a challenge this season," he said. "The guys are definitely excited to play and it was a little tough playing after Thanksgiving. The guys are really pumped for this new sport [and] season so the energy was good coming in."

Asked what improvements his team could make, Chambers was straightforward with his answer.

"We could improve right at the start of the game," he said. "They have to start the game with the right mindset. We're not quite there yet because we start playing our hardest the second quarter, third quarter or fourth quarter. What we really need is [to start at] the first quarter."

Chambers acknowledged this was the Tigers' fourth game without a win.

"We have been close to winning but, like I said, if we could get rid of the first quarter we would have won a few games."

With handshakes and smiles on both sides, all agreed that the game was clean and well-played. The Tigers left the HHSS field looking forward to their next game while the Red Hawks are looking forward to keeping their winning streak intact.

## Highlander featured player: Red Hawks #43 Matt O'Reilly

By Warren Riley

HHSS Red Hawks Junior Football coach Bruce Griffith was exuberant with his team's 38-6 win on Oct. 9 against the Lakefield Tigers.

It was difficult for Griffith to select the most outstanding player but #43 Matt O'Reilly stood out in his estimation.

O'Reilly is a strapping 15-year-old, second year HHSS student and is a linebacker for his team. His positive approach to doing the job right the first time showed with his agility and brute power. It was a winning combination which helped the Red Hawks' scoring opportunities.

O'Reilly hopes to progress and eventually enter the sport of football professionally.

"My dreams are the NFL or the CFL," he said. "If not, a gym teacher or anything to do with athletics."

O'Reilly intends to stay with sports throughout his academic years. Questioned if he was going to stick with

football, his response was a resounding, "obviously."

For many an athlete with a desire to pursue a professional football career, academic scores can take a bit of a beating. Not so for O'Reilly.

"I'm straight A's and got everything," he commented. "I got called athlete of the year in Grade 8 [and] it's going good."

As with many sports, football has the reputation of taking a physical toll on its players. It can not only have an effect on the athlete but also the parents. O'Reilly's parents always have concerns for their son's physical well-being and have made that trepidation quite clear.

"My parents get worried every now and then. They think I'm going to get hurt but I really don't listen to them. I just really do my thing."

O'Reilly is the perfect example of a young football athlete who has the desire and fortitude to become a professional player, and it shows every time he steps on the field.



Photo by Warren Riley

15-year-old Matt O'Reilly dreams of playing professionally.



# Highlander sports

## Thanksgiving showdown

Submitted by Jon Petrie

The Pee wee A Storm team were thankful this Thanksgiving weekend for a two-game homestand against rival Parry Sound on Oct. 6.

The Parry Sound squad has proven to be a challenging opponent and with only three defensemen, the Storm had a difficult time containing them in game one. Parry Sound got on the board first and although Kyle Cooper was able to tie it up with a nice feed from behind the net by Ben Schmidt, a breakaway goal immediately following a Parry Sound penalty kill seemed to swing the momentum in Parry Sound's favour for the remainder of the game.

Parry Sound scored two more goals in the second period to take control despite some fine saves by Parker Smolen. Devyn Prentice snuck one in late in the second to give the Storm some reason for optimism, but that was quickly snuffed out in the third when Parry Sound scored again to put the game away, 5-2.

The boys stormed back in the second game and started the contest with an excellent forecheck that put Parry Sound on their heels in the early going.

Alex Petrie got things started by poking in a loose puck in front, which was quickly followed up by Kyle Cooper. Although Parry Sound answered to make it 2-1, Devyn Prentice's shot from the slot put the Storm in more comfortable territory once again. Slowly though, the momentum swung back to Parry Sound and two goals in the second tied the game back up. If not for Ben Schmidt's goal with six seconds left in the second period to put them back up by one, things may have looked quite different for the home team going into the third.

As the parents held their breath, the Storm showed resiliency in the third period and stood up to the Parry Sound attack. Goalie Josh Bellefleur held his ground but with only a minute and a half left in the game, Parry Sound's relentless effort finally paid off to tie the game up, 4-4. That's how it would end.

The Storm have a home game against Huntsville on Oct. 11 and their first tournament starts on Oct. 13 in Minden.

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# Highlander sports

## Bradley honoured on wall of fame



By Matthew Desrosiers

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"We're pretty fortunate in Haliburton, aren't we?" said Murray Feary, reeve of the Municipality of Dysart et al, at the unveiling ceremony on Oct. 7. "It's an honour, on behalf of council, to do this for Mike Bradley and [his] family."

"We're celebrating today a Canadian champion right from our home town," said Coach Gary Brohman, who coached Bradley in high school.

Brohman recalled the day Bradley first stepped onto his field in 1992. He was a small kid, and the coaches were worried his size would be an issue.

"All of a sudden, when he grabbed that football, no one could catch him."

That first day was the beginning of a storied career for the young athlete.

"He fell in love with the game of football," Brohman said. "When you fall in love with a sport, it takes you to new heights. I would say to young people, whatever sport you're playing, fall in love with it. It will take you to new heights just like the other gentlemen on this wall."

After high school, Bradley was recruited to play for the University of Kitchener/Waterloo Warriors. During that time, he recorded 41 touchdowns (3<sup>rd</sup> overall in CIS history), had 1,162 rushing yards in one season (10<sup>th</sup> overall in CIS), rushed for 3,773 total yards in five years (3<sup>rd</sup> overall in CIS), had 38 rushing touchdowns (3<sup>rd</sup> overall in

CIS), and had 587 rushing attempts (3<sup>rd</sup> overall in CIS). Along with those records, his longest touchdown was for 98 yards against the Windsor Lancers.

In 1999, Bradley was nominated as the most outstanding player in Canada.

Bradley played his professional career with the Edmonton Eskimos of the Canadian Football League (CFL), but no matter where he went in his career, his followers from Haliburton were there with him, he said.

"This day is very special," he said. "It means a lot to me. I'm very honoured to be up here with these other great athletes."

Bradley thanked the crowd in attendance and his family for all their support. He also thanked his old football coaches from high school, coaches Brohman, Davies, Griffith and Little.

"I've had a lot of coaches, but the best ones I've had have been the ones who can motivate you, understand the game and make you love the game," he said. "You four gentlemen have those qualities. The best coaches I've had have been here in Haliburton."

"For five years, every fall, you four gentlemen gave myself and my teammates the opportunity to feel like a champion every day."

And when he finally did become a Canadian champion, after winning his first Grey Cup, he remembered the people who got him there.

"That's why I called [you coaches] from the locker room after the Grey Cup," he said. "It was as much your championship as it was mine."

Photo by Matthew Desrosiers  
Mike Bradley appraises his mural on the Dysart arena wall of fame.

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## HHSS girls field hockey play to a draw

By: Warren Riley

The Oct. 9 game between the Haliburton Highlands Girls Red Hawks Field Hockey team and the Lakefield Hurricanes ended without scoring. But the real story was on the faces of the players. The girls on both teams played well and had fun which is the true nature of any sport.

The Lakefield Holy Cross Hurricanes coach, Tara Whibbs, was pleased with the improvement her team had shown.

"They started to move the ball well across the field and they were bringing it up to the sides and bringing it up to Haliburton standards," she said. "I felt that the girls played well this afternoon."

Red Hawks coach Steve Smith had a different approach as to why the game ended in a scoreless tie.

"We just couldn't control the ball very well," he said.

"The Hurricanes played extremely well and it's the first time we have seen these guys this year. There are too many things to think about over the course of the day."

"We just didn't control it as we have in the past," Smith continued. "It's the third game for the girls. They are a little tired and fatigue set in but they made it all right. They did okay."

Smith reiterated the need for his team to hone their skills.

"There's always room for improvement especially going down our strong side which would be good and not to bunch up as much as we were doing," he said. "Spreading out and just letting the team actually do their job. Each member has a job to do and they just need to do it."



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				•			Contract Bridge	Comm. Care Haliburton	1 p.m.	705-457-2941	Join us every Monday
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				•			Community Drum Circle	Rails End Gallery	6:30 p.m.	705-457-2330	By donation. All welcome.
			•				Country Music Jamboree	S.G. Nesbitt Arena	1-5 p.m.		\$7 admission
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•							Euchre	Minden Branch 636	7:30 p.m.	705-286-4541	Every Thursday
	•						Radio Club	Minden Branch 636	10 a.m.	705-286-4541	Every Friday
			•				NFL Football on the big screen	Minden Branch 636	12 p.m.	705-457-2571	Food available, every Sunday
						•	Bid Euchre	Haliburton Branch 129	1 p.m.	705-457-2571	Every Wednesday
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							Ham and Scalloped Dinner	Wilberforce Branch 624	5-7 p.m.	705-448-2221	
				•			L.A. Breakfast	Wilberforce Branch 624	9-12:00 p.m.	705-448-2221	Every Monday
						•	Darts	Wilberforce Branch 624	7:30 p.m.	705-448-2221	Every Wednesday
	•						Pool	Wilberforce Branch 624	1:30 p.m.	705-448-2221	Every Friday
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**Last week's puzzle solution**

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# Highlander events



Photo by Mark Arike

Kim Robichaud, administrative assistant for the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, holds a few *Flammulina velutipes* (also known as the Velvet Foot mushroom).

## Choose your shrooms wisely

By Mark Arike

Some are edible and others can make you sick. If you consume *Amanita Bisporigera* (the destroying angel) you will likely die.

On Oct. 7, 33 people made their way to the Dahl Forest in Gelert to learn all about fungi. Pat Burchell, an expert on the topic and past president of the Mycological Society of Toronto, led participants on a walk of the protected property that resulted in sightings of various types of mushrooms.

Sheila Ziman, chair of the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, told participants that Burchell had done an inventory of fungi on the property. Between the summer and fall of 2010, she found 90 different species.

The recent event was part of the Land Trust's "Nature in the 'Hood: Discovery Days" series.



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# Highlander events

## Fly-in passes with flying colours

By Lisa Harrison

The annual Fall Colours Fly-in at Haliburton/Stanhope Airport had a strong showing. Algonquin Highlands councillors reported at their Oct. 4 meeting.

"It was a very good event, it was really well-received," said Deputy Reeve Liz Danielsen, who sits on the airport committee. The event took place Sept. 29 and 30.

"It was really good to see [they] weren't worried about having a completely rained-out weekend," Danielsen added,

referring to the poor weather that plagued the August fly-in. "Instead of being rained out, we ran out of food. But only briefly – those girls can whip up chili."

"It was a great event, I think they did a really good job," said Reeve Carol Moffatt. She noted people in the aviation community know one another. "I've never seen virtually every picnic table full of people, and they're all talking away... That's really nice. That's what fly-ins are all about."

Manager Duane Hicks said 49 planes flew in on Saturday, six of them local.

"Our local guys flew a lot of friends, about four trips apiece."

Sunday's numbers were lower due to poor weather, with a total of eight planes, four of them local. Most pilots refueled, adding to township revenues.

Two planes from Collingwood were the first to touch down Saturday and other flights through the weekend came in from communities such as Burlington, Brampton, Peterborough and "all over central Ontario," said Hicks.



Matt Van Loon, 17, takes a shot at his target 100-ft away with a 12-gauge shotgun.

Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

## Legion hosts turkey shoot

By Matthew Desrosiers

The sound of birdshot being fired rang through the Highlands East countryside on Oct. 6, as 19 men and women took part in the annual turkey shoot put on by the Wilberforce Royal Canadian Legion Branch 624.

Participants were asked to shoot a 12-gauge shotgun at 100 feet, or the .410, a smaller shotgun, at 50 feet. Whoever put the most pellets on the target was the winner.

Round after round the shooters took aim down range and fired off their shotguns, despite the cold and rainy weather. Winners of each round had the option to claim either a turkey or ham as their prize.

The age, gender and experience level of the participants varied greatly. Some of the veterans carried an armoury of shotguns in the backs of their trucks, eager to put pellets to paper, while other, less-experienced hunters fired borrowed guns.

In the end, everyone walked away with a prize and the satisfaction of a successful turkey shoot under their belts.

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Friday, November 23rd  
at 6:30 p.m.

Contact Jim Frost for information or to enter a float at 705-457-4031

**Razzamataz  
Kids Shows!**

**Sunday, October 14th, 2012  
Northern Lights Theatre  
2:00 PM**

**Cake and I Scream!**

Hank and Shirley are trying their hands at opening a brand new restaurant. The only problem is... It's right next to an amusement park! Hank & Shirley are worried about competing with all the fun next door, until they hit on a plan to make their restaurant every bit as entertaining as the rides and games. The big question is: will Hank and Shirley's crazy inventions and wild antics make their restaurant a success? Of course! This is a comedy!

Tickets available at the door:  
\$8 - Adult, \$6 - Child, Kids under 2 are free  
Season's Pass (4 shows) for \$24 ea.

for more information see [www.razzamataz.ca](http://www.razzamataz.ca)

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# Nov 2-4, 2012

The Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion

**\$8 Movies**  
**\$10 Gala**

**\$42 VIP PASS**  
**8 Movies & Gala**

**Free**  
**The Land Between**  
**Documentary**

# 6th Annual Haliburton International FILM FESTIVAL



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## Friday, November 2

7:00 pm Bernie  
9:15 pm A Separation

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**PRESENTS**  
**FILM CIRCUIT**

## Saturday, November 3

10:00 am The Story of the Weeping Camel  
1:00 pm Poetry  
4:00 pm Le Havre  
7:00 pm Café de Flore  
9:30 pm HIFF Reception  
Hali's Bistro

## Sunday, November 4

10:00 am Boy  
11:30 am World and Local Shorts  
2:00 pm Christopher King Presents  
3:30 pm FREE ADMISSION  
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**The Land Between**



Dentistry in the Highlands  
First Page SEO  
Hali's Bistro  
Barry Hart & Heather Alloway

Pharmasave Minden  
Wintergreen Maple Syrup &  
Pancake Barn

Canadian Tire  
Canoe FM  
Emmerson Lumber  
Floyd Hall Insurance  
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